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ADMINISTRATION FOR THE TREATMENT OF INTERNAL
INFECTION OR INFLAMMATION IN HUMANS AND ANIMALS

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AMENDMENT

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Dear Madam:

In response to the Office Action dated December 15, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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578, 587, 160 USPQ 237, 244 (C.C.P.A. 1969); *In re Caldwell*, 319 F.2d 254, 256, 138 USPQ 243, 245 (C.C.P.A. 1963).

Furthermore, there is no teaching in either the '780 patent or Remington's Pharmaceutical Sciences that levels of isopropyl-o-cresol and isopropyl cresol claimed by Applicants are effective in treating mastitis in a cow (Example 14a), or tendon inflammation in horses (Example 27). Applicants remind Examiner that the teaching or suggestion to make the claimed combination and the reasonable expectation of success must both be found in the prior art, not in applicant's disclosure. *In re Vaeck*, 947 F.2d 488, 20 USPQ2d 1438 (Fed. Cir. 1991); MPEP § 2143. Thus, the claimed invention is not obvious. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection to claims 10-11 under 35 U.S.C. §103 be withdrawn and reconsidered.

Conclusion

No fees or extensions of time are believed to be due in connection with this amendment; however, consider this a request for any extension inadvertently omitted, and charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 26-0084.

Reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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